

## **SPECIAL MEETING UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**

**Farmerville, Louisiana**

**July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**The Union Parish Police Jury met this date in special session in the Police Jury meeting room, Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana with the following present: Curtis Moses, Nathan Pilgreen, Michael Holley, Glenn Hutto, Ben Bridges, Russell Wade, Jeremy Hobbs, Brenda Abercrombie and A.J. Ford, Jr. Absent: None. Also present was James Buckley, Assistant District Attorney. The President called the session to order and welcomed all guests. Mr. Bridges offered the invocation and Mr. Buckley led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

President Hutto welcomed everyone to the meeting. President Hutto asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment. At this time the public was given the opportunity to comment on any item shown on the agenda.

**Motion Mr. Wade, seconded by Mr. Ford and declared adopted by unanimous vote of the Jury to approve the agenda as written.**

**The following resolution was offered by Mr. Moses and duly seconded by Mr. Bridges:**

### **UP RESOLUTION 2025 – 05**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2025 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Union Parish Police Jury:

	<b><u>MILLAGE</u></b>
General Alimony	2.790 mills
Road Construction – Construction & Improvements of Roads and Bridges	5.130 mills
Road Maintenance – Roads and Bridges	6.150 mills
Council on Aging – Maintenance	1.630 mills
Library – Operation and Maintenance	2.400 mills
Library – Support	1.000 mills

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Union, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS:	Moses, Pilgreen, Holley, Hutto, Bridges, Wade, Hobbs and Ford
NAYS:	Abercrombie
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	None

### CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Farmerville, Louisiana, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

*s/ Paula H. Strickland*  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Union Parish Police Jury

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that bids were opened on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 2:00 PM for the 8-Unit T-Hangar Airport – FAA AIP # 3-22-0017-025-2025. Six bids were received:

- Benchmark Construction \$1,150,000
- Chad Pody Construction \$1,227,105
- Streeter Construction \$975,770
- Grindstone Construction \$947,000
- JC Construction Builders \$878,000
- Gentry Construction \$863,000

**Motion Mr. Hobbs, seconded by Mr. Moses to accept the lowest bid in the amount of \$863,000 from Gentry Construction and authorize the President to execute any necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that bids were opened this afternoon at 2:00 PM for the Union Parish Courthouse HVAC Project. Three bids were received:

- Byrnes Mechanical Contractors \$1,060,000
- The Payne Company \$928,000
- Mechanical Systems & Services \$875,200

**Motion Mr. Moses, seconded by Mr. Bridges to accept the lowest bid from Mechanical Systems & Services in the amount of \$875,200, issue a Notice to Proceed and authorize the President to execute any necessary documents. Motion carried unanimously.**

Recommendations from the Road Committee

Mr. Holley reported that the Road Committee met earlier at 4:30 PM. The committee has six (6) recommendations.

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Wade to adopt the Union Parish Fleet Safety Policy. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Wade to enter into a Participation Agreement for Camp Road and Dozier Road for the Delta Regional Authority application (DRA) and provide a 25% match for each road. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Wade to adopt the Union Parish Police Jury Road Maintenance/Road Construction Policy. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Bridges to test drive a John Deere motor grader and contact Caterpillar regarding the rental graders at the end of the lease. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Bridges to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to solicit bids for the spraying of weeds around bridges and roadways. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to solicit bids for contract hauling. Motion carried unanimously.**

In accordance with Ordinance 549, time for public comment was given. There were no public comments.

**There being no further business to come before the Jury, the President declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Moses on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.**

*s/ Paula H. Strickland*  
**PAULA H. STRICKLAND**  
**SECRETARY-TREASURER**  
**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**

*s/ Glenn Hutto*  
**GLENN HUTTO**  
**PRESIDENT**  
**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY**